

SMITH TIMES

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The Principal's Corner



People are still talking about Math Night, which was held last week.

Thanks to the hard work of committee members Mr. Alex Reutter, Mrs. Sally Hayes, and Ms.

Karyn Vogel and the many parents, teachers, and community members (including high school students from BHS) who volunteered to run a station, a good Math time was had by all. A total of 221 people participated in this night of fun learning.

Representatives of the North Avenue Alliance Church (864-0501) and St. Mark's Church (864-7686) here in the neighborhood asked me to mention that they will again be joining together to serve and deliver Thanksgiving dinners to people who need them on Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 22nd) from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Meals are free of charge. If you are interested in having these meals delivered to your home on Thanksgiving Day, please contact one of these churches for delivery at the numbers listed above.

We are pleased to report that our participation rate for recent Parent/Teacher Conferences was 91%.

We're hoping to form a Destination Imagination team of students at C.P. Smith School. Please watch next week's newsletter for more information. A parent meeting to find out more about Destination Imagination will be held at the school on Thursday, November 29th at 6:00 p.m.

Please consult the Calendar of Events for other important activities related to our school community. You will notice several dates for our upcoming production of "Alice in Wonderland," which will be presented on February 14-16, 2013. We hope each of our Grades 3-5 students and their families will find some way to become involved in this wonderful annual event.

Thank you for all you do to make our school a community of respectful, responsible, and safe learners. A total of 158 postcards and other contacts (via telephone or email) have been made to recognize and reinforce positive student behavior. May a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday be yours!



C.P. Smith PTO Greeting Card Fundraiser

C.P. Smith PTO will be holding a new fundraiser this year called Cardraising. We are working with a local fundraising company to take part in this fun and easy greeting card fundraiser. Do you order holiday photo cards every year through companies like Shutterfly or Costco? Try something new this year and order your holiday cards through Cardraising. There are thousands of quality designs to choose from or you can create your own style. Ordering is simple to do and everything is done online and orders will ship directly to your home. Through this fundraiser C.P. Smith PTO will receive 30% of the proceeds. The money we raise will go back into the school to support various activities including classroom mini-grants, school play, and four winds nature program, just to name a few. A flyer has gone home with instructions on how to access the website, from there you find our school and start placing your order, it's that simple. If you have any questions please contact Jennifer L'Ecuyer at jlecuyer7@gmail.com or 660-9669. Thank you for your support.

CP Smith PTO

Calendar of Events



11/21, 11/22, and 11/23:
Thanksgiving Recess (No School)

11/29: Destination Imagination Informational Meeting for Parents/Guardians (6:00 p.m.)

11/30: Community Connection Meeting (9:00-10:00 a.m.) -- Principal's Office

11/30: "Alice in Wonderland" Student Orientation Session (1:00 p.m.) -- Gym

11/30: Full Bag Pantry (2:30-3:15 p.m.) Cart by side door of school.

12/3 – 12/7: Sign-ups for "Alice in Wonderland"

12/5: School Assembly with Artist Woody Jackson (1:45–2:40 p.m.) -- Gym

12/7 – 12/14: Permissions Slips for "Alice in Wonderland" Due

12/10: Kids Only Shopping Extravaganza (8:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.)

12/10: PTO Meeting (6:30-8:00 p.m.) -- Ellie B. McNamara Memorial Library

12/12: Teacher Inservice in the Afternoon. School Dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

12/14: Celebrations Around the World Concert (1:15 p.m.) -- Gym

12/17 – 12/19: Tryouts for "Alice in Wonderland" (12:00-2:00 p.m.) -- Principal's Office

12/21: Music/Scripts for "Alice in Wonderland" Distributed to Cast Members

12/24 – 1/1/13: School Vacation

1/2/13: School Resumes

1/2: Rehearsals for "Alice in Wonderland" Begin

Holiday Help

Thanksgiving meals:

Chittenden Emergency Food Shelf

228 North Winooski Ave
Burlington, VT
802-658-7939

Meal on Wed, Nov 21 at 1:00



Sweetwaters

120 Church St, Burlington, VT
802-9800

Meal on Thanksgiving day 10-5

Holiday Gifts:

Salvation Army

64 Main St
Burlington, VT
802-864-9256

Sign up for toys Tues-Fri 10-1 through November 30

Need photo ID, Social Security or medical cards for kids, proofs of income and expenses (rent, utilities, etc)



Chances for Christmas

likely out of the Champlain Mill in Winooski
contact Kathy Eli 777-5130

Will need SS cards for kids, photo ID for adults



11th Annual Kids Shopping Extravaganza

Coming soon: The 11th Annual
KIDS SHOPPING

EXTRAVAGANZA!!!!!! Monday Dec. 10, 2012.

How it works: **YOU** donate a variety of items that would make a nice gift for someone, and the **KIDS** get to shop for those special people on their lists.

Please start looking around your home for "treasures" (new or nearly new) to donate to this exciting and fun event. Please drop them off at the front office or give to your child's classroom teacher from now until Friday Dec. 7.

This is a fun event for our children and it helps to raise money for the PTO and all of their supportive work for our school!

Questions? or to sign up to volunteer please call Wendy Purvee (363-4515)